

San Diego Association of Governments

Quarterly Progress Report #17

Reporting Period: Quarter 3 (July 1st to September 30th) 2025

SANDAG Contract Number: S833005 – Nature Collective Invasive Plant Treatment

Work Performed This Period:

Task 1- Project Management, Admin and Meetings

Communications occurred with SANDAG, partners, contractors, and consultants to ensure compliance with agreements and contracts. The field contractor is under contract and registered under the labor compliance program. Invoicing and Quarterly reporting to SANDAG is occurring. MOUs, ROEs, and other agreements required for project reviewed and signed. Meetings, preparation for field work, and continuation of work on tasks 2, 3 and 4 occurred.

Task 7

Oncosiphon Treatment for Priority Sites

Co-ordination and planning:

None.

ROE or MOU work:

None.

Field work:

None.

Arundo Re-treatments

Co-ordination and planning:

None.

ROE or MOU work:

None.

Field work:

None.

EDRR Level 2 sites

Co-ordination and planning:

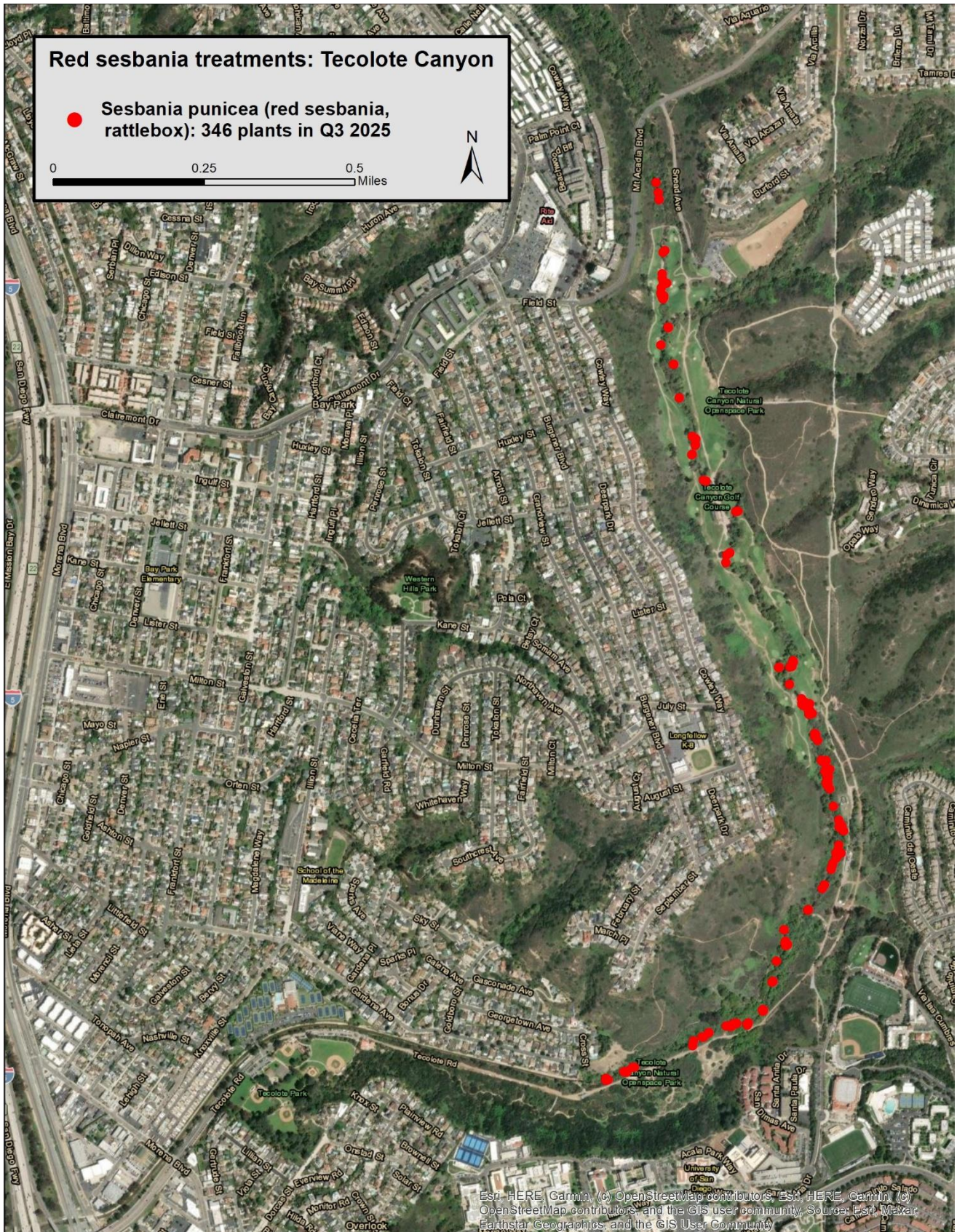
Three EDRR targets were worked on: Red Sesbania, Canary Island St John's wort, French Broom and carnation spurge. The city of San Diego (CISJW), and Endangered Habitat League were coordinated with.

Field work:

Control work occurred at all sites. Red Sesbania, CISJW, French broom and carnation spurge sites had spot control with post emergent.

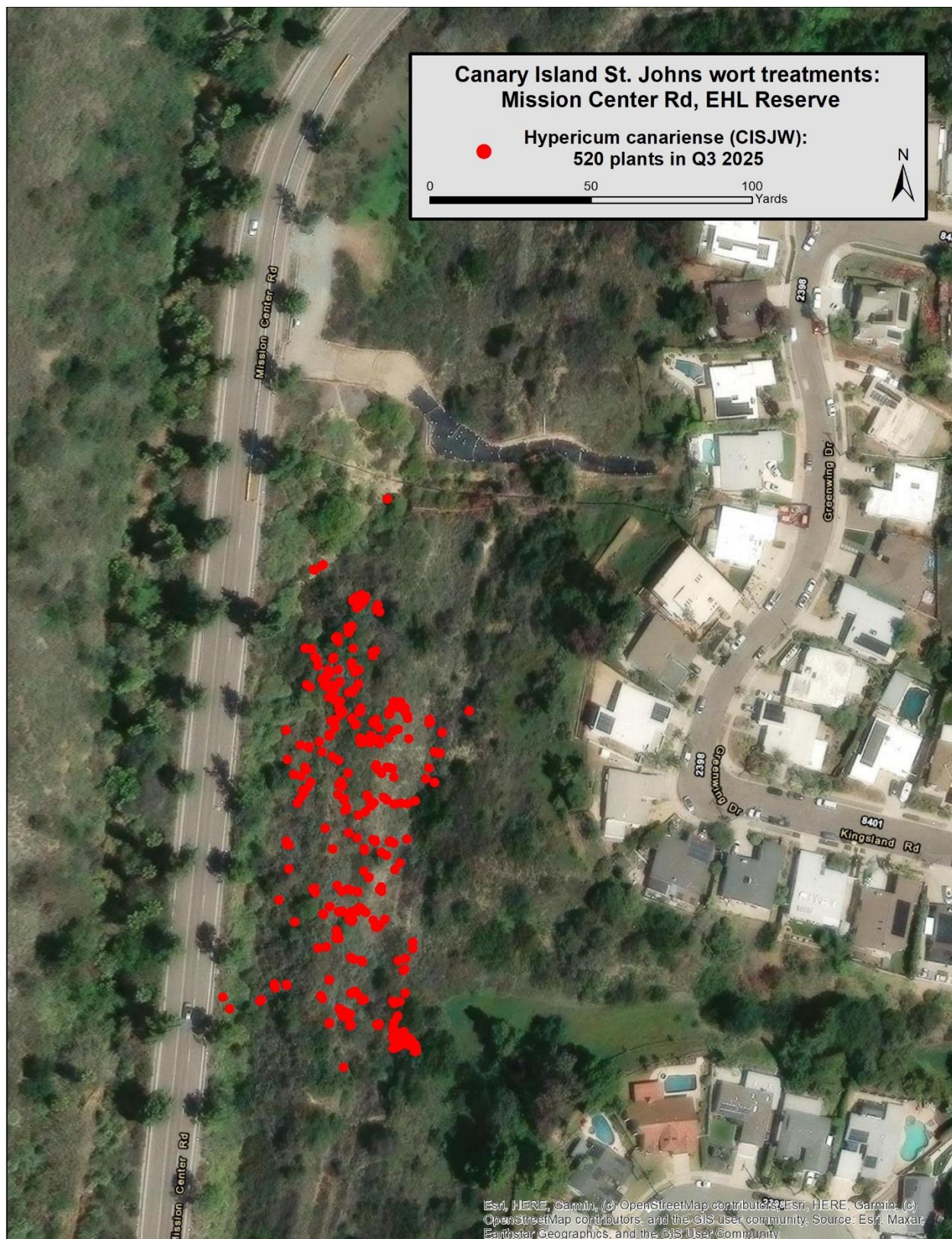
Below are maps, descriptions and photos of the work areas.

Red sesbania was re-treated in Tecolote Canyon. This year 346 plants were treated, which is more than in the past several years. There were only two seedlings found in 2024, but this treatment was too early. So, the 2025 treatment really captured plants that germinated in 2024 and 2025. 79 plants were found in 2023 and 208 in 2022. This will be ongoing battle as red sesbania seeds are very long lived.





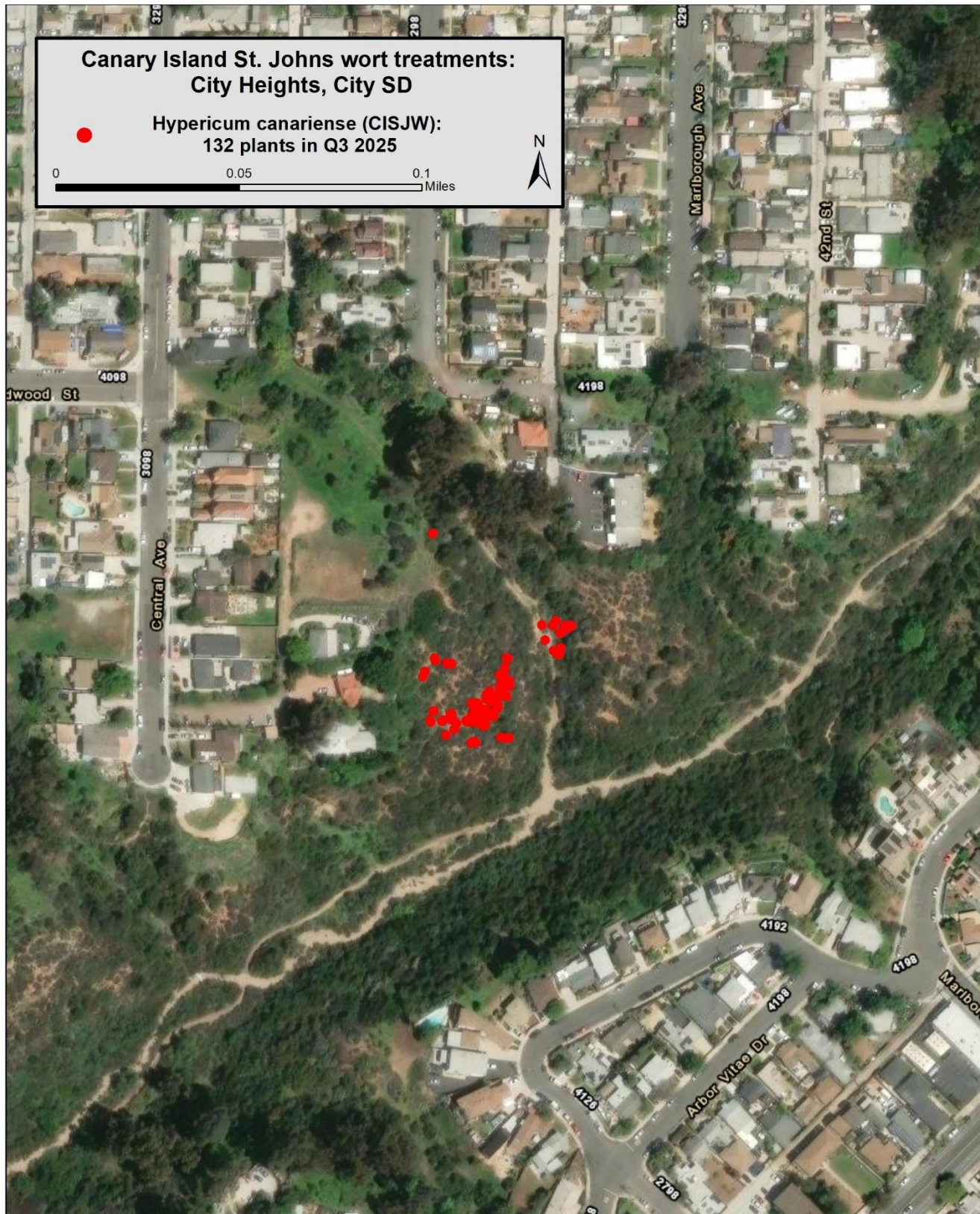
Canary Island Saint John's wort was re-treated at the Mission Center Road Murray Preserve. There are still many seedlings and a few resprouts each spring. In July 2025 520 data points were recorded, representing over 700 seedlings and a few resprouts. In 2024 > 850 plants were found.



In 2024 a new St. John's wort site was treated (reported on iNaturalist) at Kate Sessions Park, City of San Diego. This site is between Mission Bay and Mount Soledad. Re-treatment in July 2025 found 460 treatment points (>600 seedlings and re-sprouts). Initially plants were scattered in a five-acre area, with one larger stand in the middle of the population. In 2024 there were 122 treatment points recorded, with about 500 mature plants controlled. Plants were cut and left in the footprint of the shrub, as seed was on the plants and a seedbank is already present (as is seen at other CISJW sites). Removing biomass would have spread seed across the site.



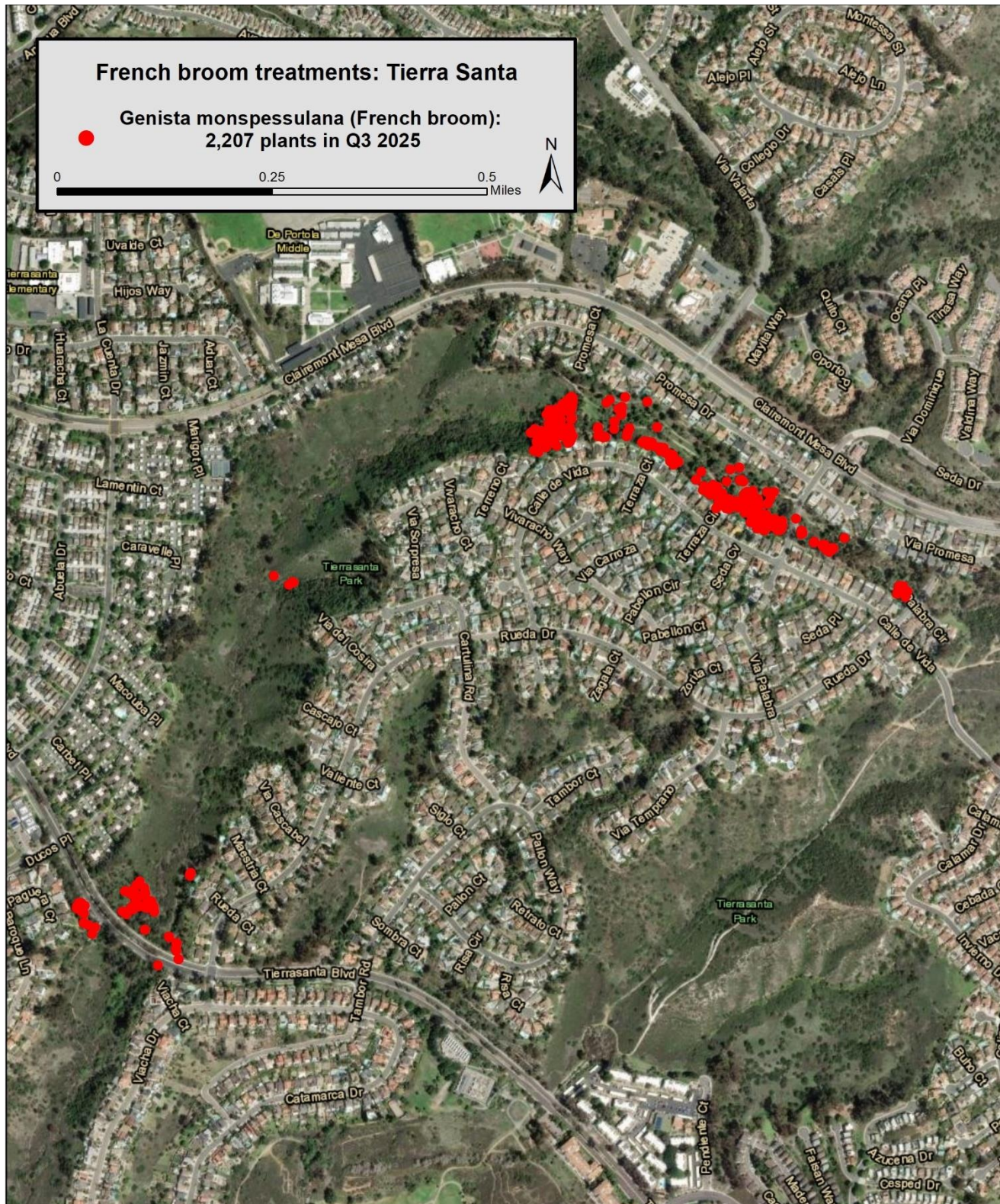
Canary Island Saint John's wort was re-treated at City Heights, City of San Diego property. There were 132 data points representing over 150 seedlings and re-sprouts. In 2024 there were 25 data points, and about 50 plants.



Canary Island Saint John's wort was re-treated at Presidio Park, City of San Diego property. There were a few seedlings and re-sprouts in July 2025, 31 data points were recorded representing about 50 plants. In 2024 there were 24 data points, and about 50 plants.



French broom saplings and seedlings were treated in Tierra Santa. This area has been treated by City Parks volunteers and County AWM crews sporadically. The July treatment controlled 2,207 plants.





Carnation spurge was re-treated at Carmel Mnt Rd. 460 data points were recorded representing over 500 plants.



Work Anticipated Next Period: Q4 2025

Task 1- Project Management, Admin and Meetings

Work will continue work on this task.

Task 7

Oncosiphon Treatment for Priority Species

Pre-emergent may be applied at selected sites.

Arundo Re-treatment

Prep for fall. San Diego river and possibly San Luis Rey in spring 2026.

EDRR Level 2 sites

Several sites and species will be worked on: Limonium, Ward's weed,